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DECISION DISMISSING REQUEST UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3) TO CONVERT TO NON-**PROVISIONAL**

This is a decision on the request under 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3) received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on 03/03/2003, to convert the above-identified application to a non-provisional application under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b).

The request is dismissed because it does not comply with all the requirements of 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3).

A grantable request under 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3) to convert a provisional application to a non-provisional application must be accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i) and an amendment including at least one claim if no claim is present in the provisional application and be filed prior to the earliest of: abandonment of the provisional application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(c) or expiration of twelve months after the filing date of the provisional application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(c). The present request is not grantable because:

It is not accompanied by the fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be filed within TWO MONTHS of the date of this decision. This time limit may NOT be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136. The request must be accompanied by the items noted above.

Any inquiries related to this decision should be directed to Customer Service at (703) 308-1202.

A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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